GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2897
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GREAT INDIAN BUSTARD
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that the Great Indian Bustard is severely endangered and is nearly extinct;

(b) if so, whether the Bombay History Society (BNHS) has sought permission from the Ministry to take up breeding of this bird from the second breeding season between February and March, 2007;

(c) whether permission has been given for their breeding;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) Yes, Sir. The Great Indian Bustard is an endangered bird species and has been listed in the Schedule-I of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

(b) No, Sir.

(c), (d) & (e) Does not arise.